## ROCKLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2009, 6:30 PM HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

The School Committee met on Tuesday, October 13, 2009, at 6:30 PM at the High School Library. Committee members present were: Mr. Norris, Mrs. Pezzella, Mr. Mills, Mrs. Werkheiser, and Mr. Mullen. Also present were Superintendent Retchless, Assistant Superintendent Scarpelli, Mrs. Lamb, and Student Representative Dionisios Hologitas.

Mr. Steve Sangster, High School Principal; Mrs. Susan Patton, Assistant High School Principal; Mr. Greg Rowe, Student Government Advisor; and students representing RSVP.

Representing the press were citizens broadcasting for WRPS/TV.

Mr. Norris welcomed Mr. Hologitas, Student Representative to the meeting.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous, the minutes of the meeting of September 28, 2009 were accepted.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, the minutes of the meeting of October 1, 2009 were accepted. Mr. Mullen did not vote because he was not attend the meeting.

A request from the Rockland Memorial Library to distribute flyers to elementary and middle school students was approved on the recommendation of the Superintendent. Motion by Mr. Mills seconded by Mr. Mullen, unanimous.

On four motions by Mr. Mills, seconds by Mr. Mullen unanimous, the following September Monthly Reports were approved:

1) Administrators Mr. Sangster, Mr. Stanish, Mrs. McGrath,

Mr. Kohn/Dr. Levine, Mrs. Sheehan

2) Guidance Mrs. Cann3) Nurse Mrs. Ryan

4) Pupil Personnel Services Ms. Salem

On five separate motions by Mrs. Pezzella, seconds by Mr. Mills, unanimous, the following Security Trailer Reports for September were accepted:

- 1) Almshouse
- 2) Esten
- 3) Hartsuff Park
- 4) Jefferson
- 5) Memorial Park

The following October Newsletters were noted:

- 1) Esten
- 2) Jefferson
- 3) Memorial Park
- 4) Middle School

The Building Rentals for September were noted.

Mrs. Werkheiser gave the Committee an update on the activities of the Building Committee. She spoke about the impact on taxes when the debt exclusion is passed, an upcoming Public Information Meeting at the High School auditorium on Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m. and of the SOS fundraiser at the Abington VFW on Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

On the motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous, it was voted to approve the appointment of Mr. Mullen as a delegate for Rockland to the MASC Conference.

Mr. Sangster, High School Principal and members of the RSVP (Student Voices) presented the School Committee with an Electronic Device revision. There was a motion to table until next meeting by Mrs. Werkheiser, seconded by Mr. Mills, unanimous.

After a general discussion of the 2009-2010 Superintendent's Goals & Objectives which included MCAS and AYP, Curriculum Revision and Budget Management and Preparation, it was voted to table it until next meeting. Motion by Mrs. Pezzella, seconded by Mr. Mills, unanimous.

On the motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Mullen, unanimous, it was voted to appoint Superintendent Retchless to serve on the PCC Board of Directors for the 2009-2010 School Year.

On the motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Mullen, unanimous, it was voted to declare a commercial refrigerator and freezer from the cafeteria at the Middle School as surplus.

On the motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Mullen, unanimous, it was voted to approve a fund raiser from North River Collaborative Access room at the High School for a spaghetti dinner and selling of baked goods.

Mrs. Werkheiser reminded parents that there is a financial aid workshop at the high school at 7:00p.m. on Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Werkheiser asked Mrs. Patton to talk about the community-wide book club on October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m. at the high school for the book *Three Cups of Tea*. Mr. Mullen noted that the Solar Panel ribbon cutting ceremony was at 3:00p.m. on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Hologitas, Student Representative, announced that the Student Government will be sponsoring the Project Pumpkin event. Mr. Norris announced the SOS Meeting will be held Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at the VFW in Abington.

On the motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pezzella, unanimous, the meeting adjourned at 7:13p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Mills, Jr Secretary